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RESOLUTION CHAPTER 65

Assembly Joint Resolution No. 63—Relative to Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AJR 63, Morrow. Jewish veterans of war: commemorating postage stamp.

This measure would memorialize the President, the Congress of the United States, and the Citizens' Advisory Committee of the United States Postal Service, to take all steps necessary to secure the issuance of a postage stamp in honor of the 100th anniversary of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America.

WHEREAS, The Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America, an organization of patriotic Americans dedicated to highlighting the role of Jews in the United States Armed Forces, celebrated 100 years of patriotic service to the nation on March 15, 1996; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of Jews have proudly served the nation in times of war; and

WHEREAS, Thousands of Jews have died in combat while serving in the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, In World War II alone, Jews received more than 52,000 awards for outstanding service, including the Medal of Honor, the Air Medal, the Silver Star, and the Purple Heart; and

WHEREAS, In the Second World War, over 11,000 Jews died in combat while serving in the United States Armed Forces; and

WHEREAS, Members of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America have volunteered over 10,000,000 hours of service at veterans' hospitals; and

WHEREAS, Honoring the sacrifices of Jewish veterans is an important part of recognizing the strong and patriotic role Jews have played in the United States Armed Forces; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly and Senate of the State of California, jointly, That the Legislature of the State of California respectfully memorializes the President, the Congress of the United States, and the Citizens' Advisory Committee of the United States Postal Service, to take all steps necessary to secure the issuance of a postage stamp in honor of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States of America; and be it further

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Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United States, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, to each Senator and Representative from California in the Congress of the United States, and to the Citizens' Advisory Committee of the United States Postal Service.